



ARTS ENDOWMENT FUND

Matching donations to support the arts

The arts have the power to transform community. Hamilton Community Foundation is committed to ensuring a strong, vibrant, and sustainable arts sector in Hamilton. The Arts Endowment Fund is a matched fund that maximizes the impact of donor contributions to support arts and culture in our city.

Why choose the arts endowment fund?

- You want to support a vital arts community in Hamilton – including visual art, music, live theatre, literature and more
- You want to maximize the impact of your donation with a matching contribution from HCF

How it works

- HCF will match the first \$1 million to the fund
- Those making donations of \$5,000 or more may choose to be recognized with a named fund within the Arts Endowment Fund
- The fund supports four streams of granting: community art and access, organization capacity-building and sustainability, social innovation and economic development
- An advisory committee provides HCF with advice on trends, community priorities and annual grant recommendations



GAIL ROBINSON-GOW

Supporting a cultural renaissance in Hamilton

The arts – including visual art, music, live performance, literature and more – have been a catalyst for Hamilton’s renaissance over the last decade. HCF understands the importance of funding this sector – and so do our donors. In 2015, Gail Robinson-Gow became the first donor to the newly-established Arts Endowment Fund.

Gail has been interested in Hamilton’s cultural scene since moving here in 1980. “I’ve known about HCF’s tremendous support for community needs for many years, so when I learned about the Arts Endowment, it just seemed to fit with what I wanted to support.”

“Hamilton’s arts scene is vibrant and it’s an important local asset.”

The Arts Endowment Fund focuses on keeping Hamilton’s cultural sector strong and sustainable. To encourage giving to this sector, HCF is matching the first \$1 million of donations to the fund.